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NPDES Permits Unit
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Subject: Columbia Generating Station National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit No. WA-002515-1: Pre-Public Notice Review

Dear Mr. Domingue and Ms. Burgess:

The Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council issued this NPDES Permit on May 25, 2006. EFSEC administratively extended the permit on May 17, 2011. EFSEC has contracted with the state Department of Ecology (Ecology) to develop a draft renewal permit.

In previous meetings and conference calls your agencies expressed concerns about the permittee's cooling water intake screen and its compliance with applicable regulations and guidance documents. Your agencies requested and EFSEC agreed to provide the draft permit documents for your review prior to public notice.

Attached to this email are the draft permit and fact sheet documents for your review. Please provide written comments to EFSEC and cc Vince McGowan at Ecology's Water Quality Program no later than August 9, 2013.

EFSEC will also provide you with draft permit documents during the public comment period, as required by state and federal regulations.

Sincerely,

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Energy Facility Siting Specialist

Attachments

CC: Vince McGowan - Ecology